

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 24, 1842.

Mr. Francis presented a bill, entitled an act to amend an act, entitled an act for restraining the taking excessive usury, Revised Statutes, 117 chapter, which passed, and, on motion of Mr. Francis, referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

On motion of Mr. Walker, the vote of yesterday rejecting the bill, entitled a bill authorizing Joseph Clause, of Davidson county, to build a mill on his own land, on the Yadkin river, in Davidson county, was reconsidered.

Said bill was taken up for consideration, and on motion of Mr. Brummell, laid on the table.

On motion of Mr. Caldwell, of Iredell,

*Ordered*, That a message be sent to the Senate, proposing to go immediately into an election for a Trustee of the University.

On motion of Mr. Leach, leave of absence from the service of this House, from and after to-day, until Tuesday next, was granted to Alfred Brower, Esq. of the county of Randolph.

Mr. Nixon presented the memorial of sundry citizens of Wilmington, protesting against any alteration of the law relative to commissioners of navigation and pilotage for the Cape Fear River and Bars, the reading of which was dispensed with, and on motion of Mr. Nixon, it was referred to the committee on Internal Improvements.

Mr. Skinner presented the memorial of Molly Hornblow, praying the emancipation of her son, Marcus Raurrey, and that he may be authorized to inherit property from her, &c.; which was read, and on motion of Mr. Skinner, referred to the committee on Propositions and Grievances.

Mr. Francis introduced the following resolution :

*Resolved*, That Charles L. Hinton, late Public Treasurer, be, and he is hereby authorized and empowered to perform all the duties of Treasurer, until his successor is qualified according to law.

Which was read the first time and passed.

Mr. Shanklin presented the resignation of Caleb Spencer, a justice of the peace for the county of Hyde ; which was